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Chairman Towns Announces Hearing on Federal Government Response to Malfunctioning Toyota Gas Pedals

WASHINGTON – Chairman Edolphus “Ed” Towns (D-NY) announced that the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will hold a hearing next week titled, “Toyota Gas Pedals: Is the Public At Risk?”, to better understand the Federal government’s response to the recall of millions of Toyota vehicles due to reports of malfunctioning gas pedals. Chairman Towns is also looking into the problem due to widespread public concerns and indication that the problem may not be limited to Toyota.

"There appears to be growing public confusion regarding which [Toyota] vehicles may be affected and how people should respond. In short, the public is unsure as to what exactly the problem is, whether it is safe to drive their cars, or what they should do about it," said Chairman Towns.

Chairman Towns has invited Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration Administrator David Strickland and Mr. Yoshimi Inaba, the President and CEO of Toyota North America, to testify during the hearing.

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Documents and Links

[Letter from Chairman Towns to Department of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood](#)